

**BLACKSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**News Release**

**DATE:** October 22, 2005

**CONTACT:** Lt. D. J. Davis, 961-1152/605-0499

**SUBJECT:** Discharge of Firearm in Public

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Blacksburg Police Officers responded to the area of the 200 block of Draper Road NW at 1:22 am this morning when they heard two reports from a firearm. Officers arrived to find evidence at the scene indicating that a shotgun had been discharged in the area. Police were unable to locate a victim or property damage associated with a shooting. Police also contacted witnesses in the area that advised an unknown subject had fired two shots from a shotgun into the air.

Police also located an assault victim, bleeding from the mouth, in the 200 block of Draper Road NW. The victim, an 18 year old Ferrum College Student, was transported by Blacksburg Rescue to Montgomery Regional Hospital for treatment of his injuries.

Police continue to investigate these two incidents and their possible relation at this time.

Anyone with any further information regarding this incident should contact the Blacksburg Police Department at 540-961-1150.